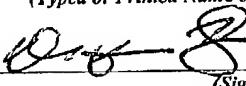


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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to a teleconference of February 12, 2004 with Examiner Manoharan, please amend the application as follows: